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"No paper and no man who fears to be in the minority has the power to create a majority. It is the unquailing advocacy of its own principles when it stands alone, and honorable support of a party when a party proclaims them; it is scorn of falsehood and baseness and bribery in sustaining them; it is mainly justice to opponents and unsparing exposure of offenders and offenses which, disgracing the party, tend to weaken and destroy it; it is austere allegiance to high ideals of public virtue and perfect reliance upon the ultimate justice of the people—it is all this which makes an independent press the greatest power in Christendom."—Geo. William Curtis.

JAPANESE RED CROSS.

A Japanese writer has made the mission of the American Red Cross women in this war seem rather foolish. They started out under the encouragement of Dr. Senn but they found, on arriving in Japan, that the Japanese knew as much about the Red Cross work as they did and had some advantages which they lacked. Our Japanese writer says as gently as he knows how that these American young women have been a source of considerable anxiety and trouble to the Japanese officials. They could not speak the Japanese or Russian language. They were of little value, therefore, as nurses. They could not live on the Japanese diet and were therefore a trial to the commissary department. And worse than all they lacked the skill, endurance and experience of the Japanese nurses.

George Kennan, correspondent of the Outlook in the Far East, devotes a long article to a description of the Red Cross in Japan. So long ago as the war with China, in 1895, it had been developed to a state of efficiency altogether unknown in this or any other Occidental country. As seen in the present war with Russia, it is so wonderfully developed that the "civilized" countries must look upon it with amazement. And of it Mr. Kennan says:

"The most remarkable feature, perhaps, of the Japanese society is its extraordinary numerical strength. On the first of January of the present year it had no less than 894,760 regular members, each of whom was pledged to contribute not less than \$1.50 annually for a period of ten years. It has one member for every fifty-two inhabitants, and it is in receipt of an annual income of \$1,342,000. If the Red Cross were as strong in proportion in the United States it would have a membership of 1,538,000 and an income of \$2,307,000. I do not happen to have the statistics of the American Red Cross at hand, but my recollection is that the central organization has less than 400 members and that it has no regular home at all outside of the contributions made occasionally by the public for such specific purposes as the relief of the Cuban reconcentrados or of sufferers from storms, tidal waves and floods."

Mr. Kennan is correct in saying that the comparison is a humiliating one to make, particularly as we have been deceiving ourselves with the idea that we were the most humanitarian people in the world and that we had developed and systematized relief work beyond all other people. We quote Mr. Kennan further:

"On January 1, 1904, the Japanese Red Cross had ready for immediate work 14 chief surgeons, 277 ordinary surgeons, 45 pharmacists, 1,920 trained nurses and 763 stretcher bearers and male attendants. In the shape of material resources and relief stores, it had 4 hospital steamers, 288 cases of surgical instruments, 496 stretchers, 52,000 suits of clothing for sick and wounded, 27,000 suits of clothing for nurses, and a great quantity of bedding, cots, tents, medicines and other supplies for field and hospital work. In short, it was prepared to take the field at once in a war of the first class, with abundant resources, with a highly trained and competent force of surgeons and nurses, and with a most complete up-to-date equipment."

The determination of the Japanese to outstrip the Western nations in their own work has as clear an illustration in the Red Cross as it has in army organization and transport service. Our American Red Cross in war is a jealous rival of the hospital corps of the army. It is with the forces by sufferance when it ought, as in Japan, to be a part of them subject to military discipline and control. In a Japanese army the Red Cross corps is ordered by the commander just the same as the engineering corps or any other; and as a result it is always in the right place at the right time, doing the right thing. A correspondent of Collier's Weekly declares that the Russian prisoners were amazed at the work of the Japanese Red Cross on the battlefield. Such of these prisoners as were wounded found themselves almost at once under the care of competent surgeons and nurses, while their war clothes were quickly replaced with hospital raiment and their wants were attended to with compassion and gentleness.

THE DEMOCRATIC CAMPAIGN.

The Democrats have no call to make Governor Carter's administration an issue at this time. Gov. Carter is not a candidate for anything and his method of carrying on public business is not on trial before the people of this Territory. He is answerable to the President alone. Even if the Democrats should win on such an issue what could they do? Assuredly they could not get the Governor removed and a man of their own appointment; they would have merely recorded a protest which would pass everywhere as the usual pro forma manifestation of Democratic dislike to a Republican administration. There is but one issue here and that is the election of law-makers, the Congressional and legislative tickets. What have the Democrats to offer under this head, now that the Republicans are pulling down their undesirable men? What legislative policies do they propose and oppose? What about the qualifications of their nominees? Where is the advantage to the Territory of electing a Democratic legislature? All these are pressing questions, fit for discussion; but the Democracy avoids them and directs its fire against an Executive who is not elective and who can't be hurt if he is hit.

ENLARGE THE CHAIN GANG.

We quite agree with the Star about the need of a rigid enforcement of the vagrancy laws—a constant rounding up of those who have no visible means of support. Idleness in the slums is a breeder of crime as scores of criminal instances in our recent history attest. It is useless to offer the idlers work, for that is the last thing they want in a city where nearly every house is insecurely locked and where the ordinary traveler on lonely roads has not yet accustomed himself to going armed. Between highway robbery, burglary and petty larceny, the dwellers in the slums manage to live without labor. The remedy for this sort of thing is the rock pile and the chain gang. Hard work for the Territory with no compensation is a cure for loafing if there is any cure at all. Before risking a second sentence the hobo will look for a plantation job—that is, if he knows that he will be inexorably watched in town and arrested the moment he lapses back into idleness.

Meanwhile this island could utilize double, treble or quadruple the numbers of convicts that are now working in the quarries and on the roads. There is plenty to do. All that is needed are the strong arms to do it.

The Republican managers have done well to get Shaw off the ticket in the Fifth and should now pull down Mahelona, who is scarcely less objectionable. Then if they fill the two vacancies with first class men, the Advertiser now knows of no reason why there should not be harmony in the Fifth. All the conservative vote asks in the Fifth is that the ticket shall be clean and reasonably competent.

Cocoa growing, the pineapple area spreading, plantations giving land for sisal and encouraging people to till it, Edwards' vanilla farm at Napoopoo promising well, the Hilo district raising more bananas, alligator pears seeking the New York market—who says that Hawaii is not going to have diversified agriculture?

The American Ambassador has found it convenient to leave Russia "on business." Since the war began Mr. McCormick has had scant courtesy at St. Petersburg and his stay in the United States will probably be an extended one.

The scheme to enlarge Ala Park is a good one. Parks look better in squalid districts than they do anywhere else because of the contrasts and they are useful, besides, to head off fires.

The Russians can't locate Kuroki's army. Have they searched the underbrush between Mukden and the next station north?

Since Major Walter dropped off the Democratic ticket the Good Government Club is wearing crape on its beer mugs.

Too many people haven't registered. There are only four days left.

THE AUTO AND THE SAVAGE.

Professor Frederick Starr, of the University of Chicago, who has issued a strong protest against the movement to clothe the nearly naked Igorrotes at the St. Louis Fair, is admitted to be one of the foremost ethnologists of the century.

Professor Starr, in his study of the different races of the world, has had many amusing experiences among primitive tribesmen. To an Indian, one day, he attempted to explain the principle of the automobile. The Indian was intelligent, and Professor Starr's explanation was a model of directness and lucidity.

"Well," he said at its end, "do you think you understand all about the automobile now?"

The Indian, who had listened intently, replied:

"Yes, I understand all but one thing. 'And what is that?' said Professor Starr, thinking to clear up in a word some trifling point that he had overlooked.

"I don't understand," said the Indian, "what makes the automobile go without horses."—New York Tribune.

FINE CONCERT BY BUFFALO BAND

A large audience listened to the concert given last night in the grounds of the Hawaiian Hotel by the band from the U. S. cruiser Buffalo. The concert began at 8 and ended at 10, the selections being well rendered and were received with generous applause.

Following the concert the band took a station on the Waikiki lagoon and played for dancing, a large number of townsfolk joining the officers from the cruiser in tripping the duex temps and the waltz.

Have You Registered?

A. O. H. Auxiliary.

A meeting of the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Ancient Order of Hibernians will be held this evening at 8 o'clock in the Catholic Mission hall. All members of the auxiliary are requested to attend. All ladies wishing to join are given a cordial invitation to be present at this meeting.

Japanese May Strike.

Information was received at the Japanese Consulate yesterday to the effect that a strike was impending at Laupahoehoe among the Japanese laborers. There was no detailed information. It is possible that Consul Saito may go to Hawaii today.

Why Delay Registering?

A young graduate in law, who had had some experience in New York City, wrote to a prominent practitioner in Arkansas to inquire what chance there was in that section for such a one as he described himself to be. He said: "I am a Republican in politics, and an honest young lawyer." The reply that came seemed encouraging in its interest: "If you are a Republican the game laws here will protect you, and if you are an honest lawyer you will have no competition."—Argonaut.

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